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**12.30pm for 1.00pm**  
**Venue: Vasko Restaurant**

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## *A Tweet* *from the* *President*



Thank you to all of those members and partners who attended our changeover last Sunday and thank you also to those members who were unable to attend but passed on their wishes. De Bortolis was an inspired choice (by Chris). She even suggested that we approach our hosts for a raffle donation which duly arrived. Perhaps this is the sort of venue which we could consider for some of our fellowship functions during the year. Unfortunately our fellowship Chairman, Giuseppe, was laid low with a bug on the day and was unable to attend.

Past-President Wayne's report is attached. As I stated at the time he did a wonderful job given the circumstances and the total lack of the training which incoming Presidents are required to attend. He has managed to reunite our Club so that we can look to a bright future. Thank you once again, Wayne.

Geoff Cook readily took on the role of Chairman, but I forgot to thank him at the time. Keppel was to have proposed the toast to Rotary International, but became fog bound on his way from Shepparton where he had attended the changeover of his former Club the night before. We determined that Brian Overton was the longest standing member present, so he proposed the toast for us. Thank you to both Geoff and Brian.

I was very proud to have James and Stephanie and their partners join us. When I first joined the Rotary Club of Heidelberg James was a baby and Steph was not even on the horizon. I recall some of the members, who seemed so old, making a fuss and saying that there had been no babies near the Club for decades. I am not suggesting that procreation should be on our agenda!

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## CLUB CALENDAR

### TODAY

**10 July:**  
**TOPIC: The Year Ahead**  
**SPEAKER: Tony Bowlen**  
**CHAIR: Geoff Cook**

**17 July:**  
**TOPIC: Cricket**  
**SPEAKER: Keith Stackpole**  
**CHAIR: Graham Dawson**

**24 July:**  
**TOPIC: Rail Crossing**  
**Removal**  
**SPEAKER: Lance Wilson**  
**CHAIR: David Schultz**

**31 July:**  
**TOPIC: DG Visit**  
**SPEAKER: Bernie Bott**  
**CHAIR: Leigh Aitken**

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When I approached Gordon Chan to take on the Sergeant's role I told him that all he had to do was to bring the incoming President to the rostrum. I should have known better. Fortunately by the time he finished spouting recycled lawyer jokes there was enough time for the formalities.

The theme of Rotary International for the year is "Making a difference". We can do just that in so many ways not only by continuing those projects we have run in recent years but also by looking to expand our horizons, and taking up ideas as they present themselves from time to time. We need your participation and help as individual Rotarians.

I look forward to a rewarding year for all members and in particular to continuing the growth and revival of our Club and the induction of many new members

*President  
Tony*



## Rotary Club of Heidelberg Inc. President's Report 2016-2017

Well, after a bit of a rough start to the year, we all settled in and worked hard together to enjoy continued friendship and success with lots of hard work and reward.

Firstly, as I have personally thanked each and every Board Member separately for their part in helping to make the year a success I will just say thank you again, and to all other Members who have supported me and helped me with lots of advice along the way thank you.

We have enjoyed some very nice fellowship with a number of events and visits with a progressive dinner in Ivanhoe, a very enjoyable live theatre event where Members enjoyed "A Streetcar named Desire" at Heidelberg Little Theatre and a very successful trip to HMAS Cerberus, where we travelled together by bus and had an eye-opening visit to the grounds and Museum with a lovely boxed lunch. Our Calcutta was very successful this year with a profit of over \$1000.00 and on behalf of Ivanhoe Club, half of this was donated to The Fred Hollows Foundation. Most importantly we were able to celebrate our 60<sup>th</sup> year with a very nice Xmas dinner at the Old England Hotel, thanks to Tom Payne. This year started with our first meeting in the park with a chicken and champagne lunch.

We had two very successful BBQ events on behalf of Olivia Newton John Foundation at the Annual Wellness Walk and at the open day at Latrobe University. Proceeds from both of these events went straight to the ONJ Foundation.

We were able to help in the Community again with the number plate anti-theft screws in West Heidelberg, and again a few Members attended the day at Macleod College interviewing pupils.

Thank you to all of the Members who worked at these events.

We had a very successful year with our weekly speakers and thanks to those who helped with this.

It was very pleasing for me to be able to induct 2 new members and 5 returning members and hopefully we can build on this in the near future.

Financially we have done very well, with the help of a very successful Golf Day and once again many players indicating that they will be back next year and quite a few new sponsors. Thank you to Gordon Chan and Geoff Cook for their hard work leading up to this event and to all the people who worked behind the scenes to make this a success.

All of this has enabled us to be able to give away over \$19,000.00 to many needy causes, all of which I have shown in my report, but I will not go through the list here today, suffice to say it has been a great pleasure on my part to be able to personally hand cheques to a lot of these people and all recipients are in my report which will go to all Members next week.

Lastly I would like to thank Roger Tice for his work over the last few years in presenting us with our weekly COG. It is proving hard to fill these shoes, but hopefully one of us may be able to take over this task.

Thank you for supporting me and I look forward to seeing us all supporting Tony Bowlen in the coming Rotary year.

Y I R  
Wayne Dunstan  
President 2016-2017

### Donations made this Rotary Year.

Macleod College (Pastoral Care at School)	\$2,000.00
Olympic Village Exodus (Donation)	\$2,000.00
Austin Health (ONJ BBQ)	\$1,600.00
Operation Cleft (Donation)	\$1,500.00
Exodus (Christmas Donation)	\$ 500.00
Ryder Cheshire Homes (Donation for defibrillator)	\$2,600.00
Olivia Newton John BBQ (Latrobe Open Day)	\$ 900.00
Dietmar Gregory (Bike ride to fund Austin Hospital)	\$ 500.00
Donations in Kind	\$ 500.00
Science Student	\$ 360.00
Rotary Health	\$1,000.00
Rotary Foundation	\$1,800.00
Rotary Foundation	\$ 500.00
Indonesian Children (Donation)	\$ 550.00
Angel Flight (Donation)	\$2,000.00
Banksia Palliative Care (Donation)	\$1,000.00

**Total** **\$19,310.00**

### DATES TO REMEMBER

**11 July:** Board Meeting 6.00pm

**31 July:** Official Visit by District Governor Bernie Bott

**17 September:** The Olivia Newton-John Wellness Walk and Research Run

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

**Grant us the serenity to accept the things we cannot change, the courage to change the things we can, and the wisdom to know the difference**